

# RIOTING

## ATTACKS UPON FOREIGNERS ORDER OF THE EVEN WOMEN ARE NOT SAFE.

### ROBBERS AND MARAUDERS RULE CENTRAL PROVINCES.

#### Wesleyan Mission Chapel Destroyed— Chinese Soldiers in Shanghai In- sult and Assault Foreigners —Japanese Priests Also Unfriendly.

Shanghai, Jan. 9.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) Authentic reports have reached the United States from all sections of the Chinese empire indicating that riot and attack upon foreigners are the order of the day. The attacks seem to be directed against isolated foreigners, rather than a concerted action on the part of the population.

In one of the central provinces, Hupen, a riot was instigated by the students of the military academy. Property was stolen and the members of several native churches were scattered over the country. Seventeen leaders of the riots have been arrested and are standing trial. A chapel of the Wesleyan mission was destroyed during the riot.

In the same province, several Chinese merchants were set upon by marauders, and after a fierce fight the robbers carried away the spoils consisting of 7,000 taels which the merchants were carrying in coin to a neighboring city.

From Soo Chow, in Central China, comes the authoritative information that in the collection of rentals in and around Soo Chow there has been a persistent refusal on the part of the natives to pay the same. The native magistrates themselves, when attempted to hear those cases, have been mobbed, and the natives have been compelled to flee from the courts of justice.

In Canton, from the very south of China, where most of the traveling is by the rivers and canals, steam launches and boats carrying foreigners have been repeatedly held up by bands of robbers, and recently a European woman missionary was brutally treated, her boat being held up in the river. The men, overpowering her, boarded it by force and, robbing her of her money, left her in a sorry plight. From Formosa, just off the coast of Central China, authentic reports come that the whole country is disturbed. Repeated attacks by armed bands of robbers are being reported daily. Travel by the interior is unsafe at the present time.

From the province of Chuen, one of the provinces nearest the highlands of Tibet, authentic information comes of riots instigated and led by military students and the destruction of property.

In the well-known province of Shanghai, in the European section, there are confirmed reports of insulting treatment of foreigners by Chinese soldiers. A lady, riding upon a wheel, passing the west gate, was insulted by a Chinaman, who spat in her face. Chinese soldiers in Shanghai have been attempting to throw foreigners from their carriages. Boys in the streets are being ordered to spit upon foreigners, and the Chinese are throwing mud and calling indecent names.

In view of the fact that the treaties are soon to throw open the whole of China to foreigners, there are interesting reports of the Buddhist and Hindu priests assembled in one of the central provinces to discuss the situation. They have promulgated the following four resolutions, and request all foreigners to accept them:

"To cultivate feelings of abhorrence of foreigners, and to refuse on principle to sell or to buy of them anything whatsoever."

"Second: To refuse absolutely to rent their houses or lands to foreigners."

"Third: To refrain from using foreign terms in speaking and writing."

"Fourth: To positively decline to listen to Christianity."

### STOCKHOLDERS DON'T AGREE.

#### Alleged Gambling in Wheat Gets a Wellington Milling Company Into Court.

Wellington, Jan. 14.—(Special.) Judge Williams, to-day, said the Hunter Milling Company, of Wellington, to sell 2,500 tons of coal now has on hand and deposit the money in the Wellington National bank and leave it there until the suit filed against it by the Bookwalter & Indianapolis, is determined. Bookwalter is a stockholder in the milling company and he filed suit a few days ago in the federal court to have the company declared bankrupt. He also asked the court to permit the company to sell some coal which it had bought on speculation. The court said it would not do so.

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### CONFESSES.

#### Admits in Open Court That He Burned His Home for the Insurance Money.

Fort Scott, Kas., Feb. 14.—(Special.) Eugene Mikesell, the jeweler who has had marvelous success under all sorts of trying circumstances and kept his nerve notwithstanding numerous accusations and confessions against him, was this morning overcome by the great amount of evidence which has been piled up to prove his guilt, and confessed in open court to burning his home and its contents for the purpose of securing the insurance money. Mikesell said his pretty young wife had been once tried for this crime, but the jury failed to convict, standing nine for acquittal and three for conviction. Saturday there were sensational developments in the case and Mikesell was surrounded by his bondsmen and taken to jail. Before Mikesell entered his plea, his wife, who is out on bond, was sent for, and when she entered the courtroom, embracing her husband, she said: "I am proud of you, my husband. You have been tried and found innocent. You are a brave man. I am proud of you."

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### RIDDLE DIDN'T ATTEND

#### Promised to Discuss the Pop Convention Matter and Then Backed Out.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 14.—(Special.) It developed here to-day that Taylor Riddle, chairman of the Pop state committee, who had promised to discuss the Pop convention matter and then backed out.

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### WICHITA COAL RATE HEARING.

#### Has Been Indefinitely Postponed Be- cause of Lack of Hotel Ac- commodations.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 14.—(Special.) The Wichita coal rate hearing, which was to take place this week, has been indefinitely postponed, because Wichita cannot find room for the railroad commissioners there this week. For some reason, the thought never suggested to the commissioners that the hearing could take place in Topeka just as well as in Wichita. It is common report around here that the hearing was postponed because of the lack of hotel accommodations. The commissioners, however, may take it up next summer.

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### MAY CHANGE POLICE BOARDS.

#### Leedy Has It in Mind to Promote Queries to the Position of Con- fidential Agent.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 14.—(Special.) Some changes in the makeup of the Kansas City, Kas., board of police commissioners are due, it is believed. Leedy has it in mind to promote queries to the position of confidential agent.

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### HILLMAN CASE CONTINUED.

#### Attorneys Argue to Have It Go Over Until May 2 Because of Mrs. Hillman's Illness.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 14.—(Special.) The opposing attorneys in the Hillman case held a conference with Judge Williams, of the federal court, to-day, when it was understood that the case would go over until May 2, on account of the illness of Mrs. Hillman. Judge Williams said that he was inclined to grant the request of the attorneys.

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### NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

#### Notice of Final Settlement—Notice is hereby given to all creditors and other interested parties in the estate of Edward H. Allen, de- ceased, that the undersigned, Joseph B. Riley, Administrator of the Estate of Edward H. Allen, deceased, will hold a final settlement of the estate of Edward H. Allen, deceased, on the 21st day of February, 1914, at 10 o'clock a. m., in the court room of the district court of the state of Kansas, at Topeka, Kansas.

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